

for fiscal year 2010 for defense activities of the Department of Energy, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof Division C of S. 1390, National Defense Authorization, as passed.

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**National Defense Authorization:** Senate passed H.R. 2647, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, to provide special pays and allowances to certain members of the Armed Forces, expand concurrent receipt of military retirement and VA disability benefits to disabled military retirees, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1390, Senate companion measure, as passed by the Senate.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, and the Chair was authorized to appoint the following conferees on the part of the Senate: Senators Levin, Kennedy, Byrd, Lieberman, Reed, Akaka, Nelson (FL), Nelson (NE), Bayh, Webb, McCaskill, Udall (CO), Hagan, Begich, Burris, McCain, Inhofe, Sessions, Chambliss, Graham, Thune, Martinez, Wicker, Burr, Vitter, and Collins.

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**Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act:** Senate passed H.J. Res. 56, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Ketanji Brown Jackson, of Maryland, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2013.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Army.

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—242)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:10 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, July 24, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8061.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled, "The Public Transportation Extension Act of 2009".

### SYSTEMIC RISK REGULATION

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine establishing a framework for systemic risk regulation, after receiving testimony from Sheila C. Bair, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Mary L. Schapiro, Chairman, United States Securities and Exchange Commission; Daniel K. Tarullo, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Alice M. Rivlin, The Brookings Institution, Vincent Reinhart, American Enterprise Institute, and Paul Schott Stevens, Investment Company Institute, all of Washington D.C.; and Allan H. Meltzer, Carnegie Mellon University Tepper School of Business, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

### WATER AND POWER LEGISLATION

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded a hearing to examine S. 637, to authorize the construction of the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System in the State of Montana and a portion of McKenzie County, North Dakota, S. 789, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the feasibility and suitability of constructing a storage reservoir, outlet works, and a delivery system for the Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation in the State of California to provide a water supply for domestic, municipal, industrial, and agricultural purposes, S. 1080, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, and S. 1453, to amend Public Law 106–392 to maintain annual base funding for the Bureau of Reclamation for the Upper Colorado River and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2023, after receiving testimony from Michale L. Connor, Commissioner, Bureau of

Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Tod Kasten, Dry Redwater Regional Water Authority, Circle, Montana; Ryan Garfield, Tule River Tribe of California, Porterville; and John F. Sullivan, Salt River Project, Phoenix, Arizona.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S.J. Res. 17, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003; and

The nominations of Miriam E. Sapiro, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, Executive Office of the President, Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, William J. Wilkins, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and Assistant General Counsel, Kim N. Wallace, of Texas, to be Deputy Under Secretary, George Wheeler Madison, of Connecticut, to be General Counsel, and Rosa Gumataotao Rios, of California, to be Treasurer, all of the Department of the Treasury.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., of Utah, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, who was introduced by Senators McCain, Hatch, and Bennett, John Victor Roos, of California, to be Ambassador to Japan, who was introduced by former Vice President Walter Mondale, former Senator Bill Bradley, former Speaker of the House Tom Foley, Jonathan S. Addleton, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Mongolia, Teddy Bernard Taylor, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Solomon Islands and Ambassador to the Repub-

lic of Vanuatu, Martha Larzelere Campbell, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and Kenneth E. Gross, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### D.C. PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine D.C. public schools, focusing on education reform, after receiving testimony from Cornelia M. Ashby, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office; Michelle Rhee, District of Columbia Public Schools Chancellor, Victor Reinoso, and Kerri L. Briggs, both of the District of Columbia Department of Education, all of Washington, D.C.

### BANKRUPTCY REFORM

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded a hearing to examine the reconsideration of bankruptcy reform, after receiving testimony from Alys Cohen, National Consumer Law Center, on behalf of the National Association of Consumer Advocates and the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys, Adam J. Levitin, Georgetown University Law Center, and Mark A. Calabria, Cato Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; Richard Genirberg, Genirberg Law Office, Jonesboro, Georgia; and Joe Verdelotti, Jr., West Warwick, Rhode Island.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 3303–3323; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 168; and H. Res. 674–675 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 602, requesting that the President and directing that the Secretary of Defense transmit to the House of Representatives all information in their possession relating to specific communications regarding detainees and foreign persons suspected of terrorism, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–221);

H. Res. 673, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3293) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and